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As per the enclosed interview summary, the PTO Form 892 along with the references indicated by Ms. D. Gardner are enclosed. The shortened statutory period for response has been restarted as of the date of mailing of this communication.

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